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Protests mark May Day around the world

Tens of thousands of people across the globe hit the streets yesterday for mass rallies marking International Workers' Day.

May Day, also known as International Workers' Day, is being celebrated around the world, with several cities participating in mass demonstrations and protests. Many European and Asian stock markets are closed to mark this occasion.

May Day is a public holiday in more than 80 countries. The day commemorates the struggle that Chicago workers, unionists and reformers went through in 1886 to fight for an eight-hour work day. Violent protests broke out on May 1, 1886 as 35,000 workers rallied on the streets in Chicago to demand better working hours.

Tens of thousands of people have taken to the streets around the world, including in Turkey, Hong Kong, Moscow and Jakarta.

In Istanbul, police yesterday dispersed hundreds of protesters who tried to defy a ban on demonstrations on the city's Taksim Square on the anniversary of clashes that prompted a na-



A demonstrator uses a slingshot during protests in Istanbul, Turkey, yesterday.

tionwide protest movement. The square has been the scene of protests that have dogged the government for months.

Rallies also took place across Asia, in-

cluding in Hong Kong, Jakarta, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, Taipei and Seoul, where the annual protest took a sombre tone in the wake of the South Korean ferry disaster.

In Los Angeles, thousands of people marched in downtown Los Angeles supporting immigrant rights.

This year's march is themed, "Keeping families together," emphasizing the goal of ending deportations that split parents from their children. Other issues brought forward included increasing the federal minimum wage and immigrant worker rights. Protesters also marched in Seattle.

In Haiti protesters marched during an anti-government protest in Port-au-Prince calling for the resignation of Haitian President Michel Martelly.

In Venezuela opponents and supporters of the government of Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro marched yesterday in Caracas to commemorate the Workers' Day.

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Global press freedom slips to decade low

WASHINGTON (AFP) - World press freedom has hit its lowest level in a decade after a regression in Egypt, Turkey and Ukraine, and US efforts to curb national security reporting, Freedom House said yesterday. Of the 197 countries and territories evaluated in 2013, 63 were rated "free," 68 "partly free" and 66 "not free." The top-ranked were the Netherlands, Norway and Sweden, and the lowest North Korea, which ranked just behind Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.

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LOCAL NEWS

The real significance of taking part in the Dutch Kingdom

ORANJESTAD -- The speech of the Government of Aruba that was held in Wilhelmina Park made clear that King Willem Alexander stands for excellent nutrition, healthy people and sports. The government is well aware of the voluntary work that is done by a specific group of the community, which is the support that maintain a healthy and strong community. "If you know a person who stands out please contact the award commission. The commission will help in highlighting these persons who contribute with voluntary work in our community," remarked Mr. Fredy Refunjol, government of Aruba.

The commission will examine if the person is qualified for the award. "This particular year is the first year that Aruba will celebrate King Day. Aruba belongs to the Dutch Kingdom and we need to celebrate this special day," said the government of Aruba and reminds everyone of the important meaning for this celebrated day. According to the government of Aruba this day is best described as the immortalize monument of Queen Wilhelmina words 'Steunen op eigen

kracht doch met de wil elkander bij te staan' - Rely on your own strength but with the will to assist each other.

This monument is visible in Curacao, but the words were expressed more than 60 years ago and still molds the base of the Dutch Kingdom. "We must not lose sight of these words as autonomous country to help and support one another. These thoughts were illustrated in the year 1954 in the statute which was the base until year 2010," declared Mr. Refunjol.

The significance of belonging to the Dutch Kingdom is to provide for your country and have support during the difficult times and defy every challenge in an independent way together. "Every country has their problems with different solutions. This is the beauty of belonging to this Kingdom in order to standout as an autonomous country after all. Every country has the right for help but also in helping others to assume the total responsibility," according Mr. Refunjol.

"We belong to the Dutch Kingdom and that gives us the right but also the obligation to coop-



erate with each other. Aruba is always ensuring a broad communication and cooperation, jointly differences of opinions but reaching to a consensus together in order to live together in a happy Dutch Kingdom," concluded the government of Aruba

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Voluntary work is necessary Contribute in building and not destroying our community

ORANJESTAD -- A formal ceremony took place in Wilhelmina Park celebrating King's Day during this past weekend. President of the parliament, Mrs. Marisol Lopez Tromp, conduct her speech and explained the value of the youth and voluntary work in the community of Aruba. According to the president of the parliament, every child that was present during this ceremony plays a vital role in our community and in our future.

The youth that does voluntary work in different group and organization know the value of discipline and education and grow into professional adults. Mrs. Lopez Tromp is thankful for this group of youngsters as they are setting the value of this effective work which will be visible in future results. "We have many persons contributing with voluntary work in the social and educational aspect in our community" said the president of the parliament.

The government of Aruba acknowledged their tremendous work which is done purely from the heart without any payment, giving up their free time and without broadcasting their deeds. The effort is done for everyone who need this extra helping hand in our community.



The trophy 'Felipe B Tromp' has been granted to the group of youngsters with the most spotlight. "The group of youngsters contributed during many occasions; Youth Parliament in the Dutch Kingdom is preparing to debate on topics which represent our future and the significance in the development of the Caribbean and The Netherlands, but mostly to close the tie of co-operation between the youth and other countries," according to Mrs. Lopez Tromp.

The President of the Parliament is certain that this work is effective and will be beneficial because it's done through different groups. Mrs. Lopez Tromp congratulated every Aruban who does this specific job and give their heart to the people who is in need. "It is important to help each other and have constructive feedback to contribute in building and not destroying our community" she concluded.

LOCAL NEWS

Welkom! Bon Bini to May Day at the Marine Camp

SAVANETA -- Aruba's #1 May Day tradition is to march right on down to the Royal Dutch Marine Base in Savaneta, as the camp throws open its doors and welcomes islanders to explore and learn about all it means to be a Dutch Marine.

Not only are their various booths to answer all their questions about every aspect of life and training at the camp, but they also host one of the largest and most flea markets of the year, a day full of entertainment by popular local bands, and every sort of snack booth imaginable, featuring a panorama of regional and international cuisine.

Conducted now for more than a decade, it is not only an opportunity for the Dutch Marines to connect with the community, but all the funds raised by booth fees and raffles are donated in their entirety to some worthy local foundation. This year, it will be one of the few that dedicated themselves to animal rights and humane treatment.

Islanders flock to the camp by the thousands, for fun, food and perhaps to even find a new (used) car! It is an enlightening day and for many, on both sides of the fence, a highlight of the year.



Tourists and locals were amazed Boa snake searched warmth in car motor

ORANJESTAD -- A pickup driver was amazed when he found a boa in his car in the late hours of the afternoon in the district of Oranjestad. He ran immediately outside and called the authorities for assistance. The owner of Phillip Animal Garden, Phillip Merryweather, was called by the authorities, due to the enormous size of the boa, for professional handling.

Phillip came at once and brought the animal to his shelter where there is a large variety of boa living together. It is well known that during the late afternoon Boa's search warmth in warm places because it is cold during these hours. Phillip is focused on animal care on the island through voluntary work and is helped with organizational donations.

"We must be conscious of the danger that boa can put us through. Aruba's fauna is dry and snakes will come in town to search for food. A week ago I went near the hotel area to handle a baby boa which I know for certain that the mother was not that far. We must be aware of the danger of our fauna and do something about this," concluded Merryweather.



Our sincere apology

THE MORNING NEWS apologizes for a misprint in our article on the latest tourism figures from the Aruba Tourism Authority and the Aruba Hotel and Tourism Association. ADR and REVPAR for the first quarter of 2014 were reported as decreased when they actually increased over the prior year. Our sincere apologies for the error. Here is the corrected information:

The Aruba Hotel and Tourism Association AHATA, reports that during the first quarter of 2014, the ADR is up by 16.6% compared to 2013. The cost of a room averaged US\$ 249.48 during the first quarter of 2013 compared to US\$ 290.85 in 2014. Hotel occupancy dropped by 1.2% over the 82.1% of the first quarter of 2013 to 80.9% this year. Earnings were higher per room and the REVPAR increased by 14.8% to average US\$ 204.90 for the first quarter of 2013 and US\$ 235.27 for the first 3 months of 2014. The number of available room nights went up by 3.4%.

Dutch EU vote on May 22 but results will have to wait until Sunday

ORANJESTAD -- The European Commission has told the Netherlands not to publish the results of the May 22 European parliamentary elections before the rest of the EU has voted.

Most other EU countries go to the polls on Sunday May 25 and there is an agreement between member states that no results should be published until late that evening, it was reported. Britain will also hold its election on May 22.

Opinion polls at the moment say the D66 Liberals are likely to emerge as the biggest party. D66 and Geert Wilders' anti-immigration PVV are both on target to each take four of the Netherlands 26 seats

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Worldwide Championship is on the way Representatives of Aruba Paso Fino are ready for Colombia!



ORANJESTAD -- A flea market was held recently in Paradera where a huge variety of house articles were sold to collect fund for the participants participating in the horse riding Championship that will be held in Colombia, Pereira, in the month of June 2014.

"This sport is really expensive" explained Minouche Lopez, mother of one of the participants who will compete in the horse riding event. "This sport makes parents very creative in achieving the goal for their child. It goes beyond only participating, but it is the learning experience for their responsibility, motivation and effort to participate in a

worldwide championship.

Parents decided to held different activities such as BBQ and flea markets which were huge successes. The youngsters must be dedicated to this sport but also have a healthy lifestyle to achieve their goals. Every person who practice horse riding on the island must be member of the Horse Aruba Organization (OCA).

The organization organize different competitions on Aruba but also internationally." Every time a person competes he earns points and based on those points the person qualifies in the pre-selection and the coach will then train the person every week to compete at an international level." explained Minouche.

Aruba is well known in the horse riding sport on international level with world champion Melony Wever in the category of 9 until 11 years of age. Mark Bruin which is also world champion in the age category of 18 until 20 years of age. Nowadays the participants are training very hard to represent Aruba in Colombia to win in similar categories.

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Loyal employees feted at RBC Royal Bank (Aruba) N.V.



Recently, the RBC Royal Bank (Aruba) N.V. congratulated 2 loyal employees who together celebrated 65 years of service. They are Mrs. Vivian Correia de Andrade who has 25 years of service and Mr. Luisito "Ronny" Donata with 40 years of service. RBC Royal Bank congratulates and wishes the jubilees all the success. Photo shows the jubilees together with their colleagues and respective department heads.

Sophia Association held a tremendous family day

ORANJESTAD -- King's Day is celebrated with sale and fundraising events around the island. To make this day memorable, Sophia Association held a family day combined with flea market in Dakota to celebrate King Day as well. There were many stands with affordable items for everyone who visited the event. Cake, local soup and cookies were the tasty snacks for this event. There were many paintings for sale including paint tattoo for every child that was present. Sophia Association is grateful for the assistance of everyone who celebrated this family day together and contribution to the flea market which was a success.



Pelican was seriously injured during a boat accident



ORANJESTAD -- The department of marine officer recently received a telephone call informing the state of a pelican during an accident. At the arrival, the officers confirmed a boat accident with the result of an injury on the pelican's left wing which was unable to fly. Authorities contacted the owner of Phillip Animal Garden, Phillip Merryweather, which took the pelican at once and began with the examination. Nevertheless, there was not much that could be done in the shelter due

to the critical situation of the animal and doctor assistance was necessary. Pitifully, the hit during the accident on the left wing was terminal which was amputated and caused enormous pain for the pelican. Nowadays, the animal need to get used to his new living condition and his new shelter due to the fact that he cannot longer be seen at the shore side of the sea which can lead to his death. "We will make a special place for our new guest and let him feel at home with the constructed water shelter designed especially for our sea animals" Phillip concluded in an interview.

LOCAL NEWS

A week dedicated to Caribbean health concerns begins with an address by Dr. Ana M Viamonte Ros of Baptist Health International

ORANJESTAD- The 59th Annual Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) Conference officially opened three days of presentations and workshops yesterday morning, May 1, at the Renaissance Convention Center. The largest such event specifically concerned with health issues for the immediate region, organizers report over 250 delegates will be attending, comprised principally of doctors and health administrators. This year's theme is "Chronic Non-Communicable Diseases Through the Life Cycle." The crippling effects on families, communities and national economies by chronic conditions such as heart disease, circulatory and respiratory ailments, diabetes and cancer are becoming increasingly evident over the past decade, and health officials are extremely concerned. Particularly as these conditions are can be prevented with intelligent nutrition and an active lifestyle. Combating childhood obesity and a prevalence of poor eating habits, among other contributing elements, are their priorities.

Beginning on Tuesday the Country Medical Officers (CMO) of several island nations have been having internal meetings to discuss and layout policies. On Tuesday evening, they were invited to a dinner sponsored by Baptist Health International, preceded by a highly informative talk by Dr. Ana M. Viamonte Ros,

Director of Medical Staff Development for Baptist Health International.

Baptist Health of South Florida has formed medical partnerships and has representation in sixteen Caribbean nations, including Aruba, through IMSAN, in San Nicolas. This helps to elevate the quality of care on the islands, offering an option for advanced care and second opinions with Baptist Health, which maintains several clinical delivery sites throughout southern Florida, as the largest single clinical enterprise.

Dr. Viamonte Ros is a former Secretary of Health and was the first female surgeon general of the State of Florida; her specialty is radiology. She is a graduate from the University of Miami Medical School and Harvard School of Public Health, where she obtained her Masters. She is currently Associate Dean for Women in Medicine and Science and Associate Professor in the Department of Humanities Health and Society at the Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine, Florida International University (FIU).

Dr. Viamonte Ros dived right into the main theme of the CARPHA 2014, citing startling statistics for the region and the world regarding chronic ailments. Going back to 2005, statistics revealed that Cardiovascular Disease was responsible for 30% of the 58 million global deaths, equal to the total for all communicable diseases, maternal and perinatal

conditions, and nutritional deficiencies, combined. Add to that 9% dying from diabetes related ailments, 7% from chronic respiratory diseases and another 9% from misc chronic ailments, plus 13% from cancer, and the numbers show that the overwhelming percentage of global mortality is due to chronic conditions, of which their may be some hereditary inclination, but the majority are being manifested by poor eating habits and a sedentary lifestyle, which means they are preventable, but statistics show they are on an alarming upswing from 2001 until today.

Aside from the long term toll on patients and their families, the financial toll it is taking on health systems and national economies demands attention. In 2010, 2.493 trillion dollars was "lost globally to chronic health care, and can be expected to grow by 143% over the next 20 years," reported Dr. Viamonte Ros.

She continued by deflating a number of myths that exist about these chronic diseases that inhibit the public from taking them as seriously as they should in how they raise their children and conduct their lives. One is the belief that they are ailments "affecting mainly high income countries." Records show that high income nations are responsible for only 20% of recorded cases, where low income and lower-middle income countries account for 35% and 37% of reported cases, respectively. This can be directly linked to the high carbohydrate and fatty diets common to these poorer nations. The idea that chronic diseases generally are a condition of the rich is another myth being disproved daily. Numbers also show that the myth that they also are a problem of the old is also being disputed by the fact that 44% of all NCD death occur in individuals under 70 years of age.

Globally, 22 million children are obese or overweight, displacing the stereotype of the emaciated, underfed child as the new, great concern of health organization. Overweight children may also very well be malnourished, as it is usually maintained by a diet that does not include the



Dr Ana Viamonte Ros

recommended daily intake of fresh fruits and vegetables.

Another myth is the belief poorer countries should focus more on controlling infectious diseases over chronic ailments, but the fact is most suffer from a "duel disease pattern," and deaths from heart disease,

cancer, diabetes and stroke individually outdistance HIV/AIDS, which is far at the bottom of the mortality ladder, and has been steadily dropping in victim numbers while those falling to these other conditions steadily increase.

Another myth is that chronic and cardiovascular disease is a "men's illness," particularly in the Caribbean, where women are notoriously overweight and obese. As of 2008, 54% of those in the Caribbean suffering with cardiovascular disease and diabetes are women of all ages.

The list goes on, but an important point was to not only blame the victims for an unhealthy lifestyle, but also governments that health administrations should take responsibility and encourage the proper behavior whenever they can. This includes controlling advertising of knowingly unhealthy products, preventing them from being sold and served in school cafeterias, and promoting education regarding a healthy lifestyle, while establishing ample physical education and sporting

teams within and without the school curriculum. Remodeling infrastructure to provide safe biking and jogging paths plus parks for sporting competition should be on every nation's agenda, as well as seeing events scheduled that encourage their use.

In conclusion, Dr. Viamonte Ros reminded the gathering of medical officers that "Chronic diseases are multi-factorial and have many preventable elements." This includes controlling tobacco use, which is a major contributor, as well as alcohol abuse. In the U.S., they have found heavy taxes on these items has proven very effective. It is important to identify and defuse such modifiable risk factors, while recognizing those that are not modifiable, such as hereditary elements and age.

The very opposite is true of the final myth encouraging inaction, which is that "Chronic disease prevention and control is too expensive." This holds true for individuals, families and health systems. Indulging in 30 minutes of some sort of exercise, even just walking, daily, will save families tens of thousands of dollars on medication and treatment, as well as the billions it will save nationally without the burden on health systems. "The solutions are effective, and highly cost effective," she told the gathering.

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Protesters mark May Day



BOGOTA (AFP) - A woman holds a sign reading "There is money for war but not for health, housing, education. Damn government! Vote blank" during a May Day protest.



NEW YORK (AFP) - Demonstrators gather and prepare to march down Broadway on International Workers Day, or Labor Day, on May 1, 2014 in New York City. The annual global gathering of immigration rights activists, leftists, labor unions and others often results in confrontations with police. The very first Labor Day in America took place on May 1, 1886, as a celebration of the American labor movement and the adoption of the 8-hour work day.

Hundreds arrested in US crackdown on Latino gang

WASHINGTON (AFP) - More than 600 gang members and associates in 179 US cities were arrested in a month-long crackdown on a fast-growing Latino gang that also netted firearms and drugs, officials said Thursday.

Project Southbound targeted the Sureños, also known as Sur 13, a transnational gang with roots in southern California implicated in murder, extortion, drug trafficking, prostitution and other crimes.

Among those arrested was a 27-year-old in Texas wanted for murder in his native El Salvador and a San Francisco man accused of supplying large quantities of premium marijuana to Sureños members.

The Department of Justice has called the Sureños the fastest-growing gang in the United States on a national level.

Thomas Winkowski, of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), said it was the biggest operation ever undertaken by ICE against the gang, which is known for its decentralized hierarchy and affinity to the Mexican underworld.

"This gang now has more than 30,000 members in the United States and its numbers are growing," he said, adding that ICE would "continue to disrupt and dismantle" its activities.

ICE special agents seized 57 firearms, 13 pounds (six kilos) of methamphetamine, 83 pounds of marijuana, four pounds of cocaine, 1.5 pounds of heroin, more than \$166,000 in US currency and 10 vehicles.

Besides the 638 gang members and associates, Project Southbound -- conducted with help from federal, state and local law enforcement agencies -- netted 119 others wanted for various criminal and immigration offenses.

Those arrested came from 21 countries in South and Central America, Asia, Africa and the Caribbean. Seventy-nine were female.

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Protesters to mark May Day from Hong Kong to Istanbul

HONG KONG (AFP) - Tens of thousands of people across the globe hit the streets Thursday for mass rallies marking International Labour Day, with Turkey a potential flashpoint on the anniversary of clashes that spawned a nationwide protest movement.

In tense Istanbul, thousands gathered at the highly symbolic Taksim Square in defiance of government orders to stay away -- with a massive police presence on the streets a year after violent May Day demonstrations snowballed into a huge anti-government movement.

Rallies also took place across Asia, including in Hong Kong, Jakarta, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, Taipei and Seoul, where the annual protest was expected to take a sombre tone in the wake of the South Korean ferry disaster.

Russian workers, meanwhile, paraded on Red Square for the first time since 1991 -- the latest Soviet tradition to be revived as a wave of patriotism sweeps the country.

Indonesian police said some 33,000 workers rallied across the capital Jakarta. Unions said up to two million workers were out in force to demand better working conditions in Southeast Asia's most populous nation, although in previous years the numbers have come in much lower than such forecasts.

Meanwhile in Taiwan, thousands of workers also marched to the labour ministry demanding wage hikes and a ban on companies hiring cheap temporary or part-time workers.

In Seoul around 5,000 workers rallied outside Seoul railway station in the afternoon but this year's traditional May Day trade union gathering has been overshadowed by the ferry disaster that has claimed the lives of hundreds of people, many of them schoolchildren.

Thousands of people also took part in peaceful demonstration in Europe and some South America nation.

At the Vatican, Pope Francis also had a May Day message.

In a tweet from his account, @pontifex, he wrote: "I ask everyone with political responsibility to remember two things: human dignity and the common good".

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Planes head home as MH370 search scaled back

KUALA LUMPUR (AFP) - Malaysia on Thursday released a much-anticipated report on Flight MH370 that chronicled its slow-footed response to the airliner's disappearance but contained no new clues on what happened to the missing plane.

The brief five-page report dated April 9, and which was submitted earlier to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), was mostly a recap of information that had already been released over time.

The document and accompanying materials contained no major revelations in what remains one of the greatest mysteries in aviation history.

"Over a month after the aircraft departed Kuala Lumpur International Airport, its location is still unknown," said the report, which was emailed to news organisations.

But the information indicated it took authorities four hours from the time the Malaysia Airlines jet was first noticed missing at around 1:38 am on March 8 to initiate an official emergency response.

The air force, meanwhile, took eight hours to formally notify civilian authorities that it had tracked a plane believed to be MH370 moving back across Malaysian airspace and out toward the Indian Ocean.

The jet vanished en route from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing with 239 people aboard.

It is believed to have crashed in the Indian Ocean, but a massive search for wreckage has found nothing.

The information release included a summary of exchanges between the national airline and confused Malaysian, Vietnamese and Cambodian air-traffic controllers as they sought to determine what happened to the plane after it disappeared from primary radar over the South China Sea at 1:21 am.

The main report is required by the ICAO within 30 days of a crash, and Malaysian authorities have confirmed it was submitted on time.

However, they waited another three weeks before releasing the brief document, with Prime Minister Najib Razak saying last week he wanted it to be reviewed first by an "internal" team of experts.

Malaysia's long-ruling government, which has a poor record on transparency, was heavily criticised for a seemingly chaotic response and contradictory statements on MH370 in the early days of the crisis.

It has been tight-lipped about the progress of its ongoing investigations.

Malaysia is continuing to investigate what happened to MH370, saying this week it had appointed a former head of the country's civil aviation department to head an overall probe that will include members of the US National Transportation Safety Board and other foreign aviation agencies.

Thursday's release did not contain information from an ongoing Malaysian police investigation into whether a criminal act such as terrorism was to blame.

Malaysia's air force has acknowledged tracking a radar blip later determined to be MH370

after the plane went missing.

It has come under fire for failing to respond to the unidentified image, letting it slip away toward the Indian Ocean and wasting an opportunity to track it.

Thursday's data confirmed that Transport Minister Hishammuddin Hussein was not informed of the radar blip until 10:30 am on March 8, nearly eight hours after it was first monitored.

Malaysian authorities have previously said the plane's transponder, which relays its location, and a separate automated system that transmits information on the state of the aircraft both appeared to have been shut off around the time it was diverted, suggesting a deliberate act.

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Coming soon: a brain implant to restore memory

WASHINGTON (AFP) - In the next few months, highly secretive US military researchers say they will unveil new advances toward developing a brain implant that could one day restore a wounded soldier's memory.

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) is forging ahead with a four-year plan to build a sophisticated memory stimulator, as part of President Barack Obama's \$100 million initiative to better understand the human brain.

The science has never been done before, and raises ethical questions about whether the human mind should be manipulated in the name of staving off war injuries or managing the aging brain.

Some say those who could benefit include the five million Americans with Alzheimer's disease and the nearly 300,000 US military men and women who have sustained traumatic brain injuries in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"If you have been injured in the line of duty and you can't remember your family, we want to be able to restore those kinds of functions," DARPA program manager Justin Sanchez said this

week at a conference in the US capital convened by the Center for Brain Health at the University of Texas.

"We think that we can develop neuroprosthetic devices that can directly interface with the hippocampus, and can restore the first type of memories we are looking at, the declarative memories," he said.

Declarative memories are recollections of people, events, facts and figures, and no research has ever shown they can be put back once they are lost.

What researchers have been able to do so far is help reduce tremors in people with Parkinson's disease, cut back on seizures among epileptics and even boost memory in some Alzheimer's patients through a process called deep brain stimulation.

Those devices were inspired by cardiac pacemakers, and pulse electricity into the brain much like a steady drum beat, but they don't work for everyone.

Experts say a much more nuanced approach is needed when it comes to restoring



memory.

Hampson, adding that he could not comment specifically on DARPA's plans.

Hampson's research on rodents and monkeys has shown that neurons in the hippocampus -- the part of the brain that processes memory -- fire differently when they see red or blue, or a picture of a face versus a type of food.

Equipped with this knowledge, Hampson and colleagues have been able to extend the animals' short-term, working memory using brain prosthetics to stimulate the hippocampus.

They could coax a drugged monkey into performing closer to normal at a memory task, and confuse it by manipulating the signal so that it would choose the opposite image of what it remembered.

According to Hampson, to restore a human's specific memory, scientists would have to know the precise pattern for that memory.



HYDERABAD (AFP) - Indian labourers sort mangoes at the Gadiddiannaram Fruit Market on the outskirts of Hyderabad on April 29, 2014. India's leading export promotion agency criticised a European ban on mango imports as unjustified and appealed to Brussels to overturn its decision. The 28-member European Union imposed the ban, to take effect May 1, 2014, on import of the highly prized Alphonso mangoes, known as the "king of fruits", and four vegetables after finding unwanted pests such as "non-European fruit flies" in some consignments.



ABIDJAN (AFP) - An employee of the Institute of Public Hygiene sprays insecticide against mosquitos on April 28, 2014 in Koumassi, a popular district in the south of Abidjan, during an operation to prevent malaria as part of the World Malaria Day.

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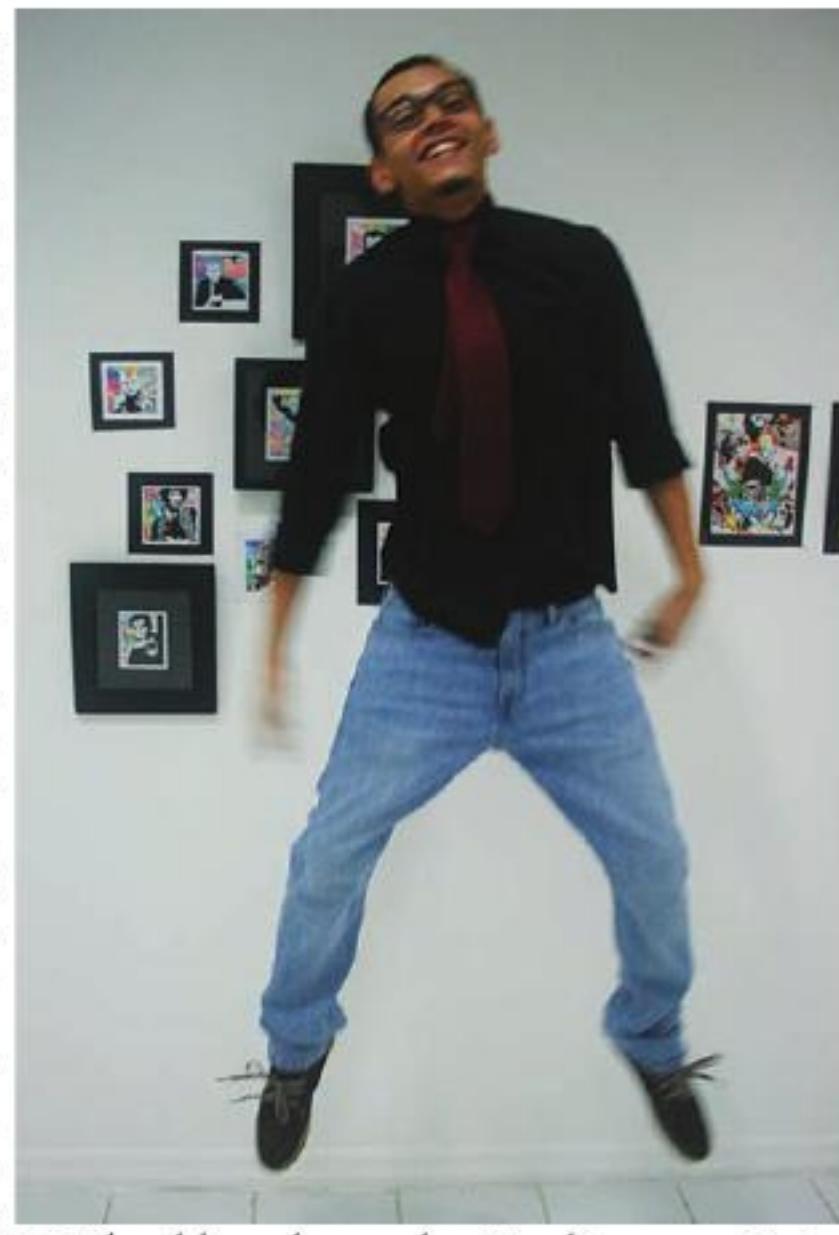


ORANJESTAD - For Aruba's first King's Day, last Sunday, April 27, several community activities were conducted during the official national holiday the day before. However sticking to tradition, SETAR N.V. Aruba's national telecommunications company, joined other sponsors in conducting a kite flying contest on the actual birthday of the king organized by the Young Blood Foundation. "Kite Slam 2014, Long Live the King," proved to be a very popular event. Kiting is a time-honoured tradition on Aruba, particularly on holidays. A pastime often shared by father and children, the design and building of a unique homemade kite is a legacy handed down from one generation to the next. For the last seven years, the Young Blood Foundation various activities for the national holiday, which have proven to be extremely popular, with especially elaborate events revolving around King's Day. Their motivation is to keep alive these great traditions that unify families, particularly that of the art of kite construction and flying. This also involved Aruba's Junior Soccer League in the Child and Youth Divisions. SETAR congratulates all those who participated in this wonderful day, which was well attended and enjoyed by all.



Art Expo, 'Retrospective, a look into the mind of Rudyomar Leysner' opens today

ORANJESTAD - Accomplished young Aruban artist Rudyomar Leysner will be featured in a solo exposition at UNOCA headquarters in Oranjestad, beginning with a grand gallery opening this evening at 7:00 PM. All art lovers are invited to come and view his new collection. Rudyomar has achieved international attention with his work being selected for an exposition at the University of Caldas in Manizales, Colombia in 2011 and receiving mention of merit during his participation in the Lara Primer Course in realistic painting, drawing and sculpture in Spain. He has frequently been featured in group expositions at Aruba's National Library and the Ateliers '89 Cultural Center. This current exposition features his surrealistic work in various media, including pen & ink, oils, and photography. The artist expressed that he is inspired by the physical world, nature, the elements, translating them to comment on abstract and emotional concepts such as evolution, joy, innocence and corruption. The show will continue in the UNOCA building located at Stadionweg 21 in Oranjestad through Friday, May 16. Visitors are welcome to view the collection during regular office hours, Monday through Friday. For more information on purchasing a work and to discuss his motivations and inspirations, contact Rudyomar Leysner at 568 9058 or via mail: jackofito@gmail.com. The artist wished to express his heartfelt gratitude to UNOCA and the Aruba Department of Culture (DCA) for their support in the realization of this solo exhibition.



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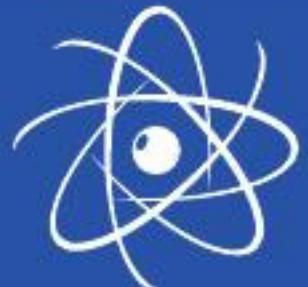
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SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Jurors deliberating in high-stakes Apple-Samsung trial



SAN JOSÉ (AFP) - Jurors on Tuesday began deliberations in a big-money smartphone patent trial pitting Apple against Samsung, and by extension Google, in the heart of Silicon Valley

In a new trial following up on a landmark 2012 case in the same courtroom, Apple attorneys argued that Samsung flagrantly infringed on iPhone patents in a desperate bid to compete with the California company's culture-changing smartphone.

"Apple cannot simply walk away from its inventions," attorney Harold McElhinny told jurors in his argument for the US tech giant.

"Here we are 37 million acts of infringement later and we are counting on you for justice."

McElhinny maintained that Samsung sold more than 37 million infringing smartphones and tablets in the United States.

Apple's legal team wants jurors to order the South Korean

electronics giant to pay more than \$2 billion in damages for flagrantly copying iPhone features.

Meanwhile, Samsung lawyers maintained that the legal onslaught is the result of a "holy war" Apple declared on Google-made Android software used to power smartphones.

"We are not pointing the finger at Google," Samsung attorney Bill Price said during closing arguments in the courtroom of US District Court Judge Lucy Koh.

"We are saying they independently developed these features and they don't infringe. Samsung didn't copy."

The launch of the first iPhone in 2007 shook the smartphone market

and prompted Samsung to bemoan a "difference between Heaven and Earth" when it came to its handset line and Apple's coveted devices, McElhinny said while recapping evidence for jurors.

The US smartphone market quickly became a "two-horse race" between Apple and Samsung, according to McElhinny.

Samsung copied iPhone technology to win smartphone sales that would have gone to Apple, the lawyer argued.

Samsung attorneys countered that patented technology at issue in trial has not been used in iPhones and that smartphone buyers weigh a host of features and factors while choosing devices.

Patents at issue in the case involve unlocking touchscreens with slide gestures, automatically correcting words being typed, retrieving data sought by users and performing actions on found data such as making a call after coming up with a phone number.

Samsung devices targeted by Apple include more than half a dozen smartphones from the Galaxy line, along with the Galaxy 2 tablet.

Jurors will also consider Samsung's claims that Apple infringed on patents related to transmitting digital video and storing digital images.

Far-off planet in a spin

PARIS (AFP) - Scientists have for the first time measured the rotation of a planet in another solar system -- a juvenile, gassy giant spinning at a break-neck 90,000 kilometres per hour, they reported.

Orbiting a star about 63 light years from Earth, Beta Pictoris b is more than 16 times larger and 3,000 times more massive than our planet, but its days last only eight hours.

"Beta Pictoris b spins significantly faster than any planet in the solar system" -- at a rate of about 25 kilometres per second (90,000 kph or 56,000 miles per hour), a team of Dutch astronomers wrote in the journal Nature.

Jupiter's equator turns at about 47,000 kph and that of Earth at 1,700 kph.

The measurement, done with the European Southern Observatory's Very Large Telescope, echoes a trend observed in our own solar system of increasing spin velocity with higher planet mass.

This association would predict an even faster spin of about 50 kps for Beta Pictoris b, but the team noted the planet was still young and warm and would likely pick up speed as it cools and shrinks to the size of Jupiter in the coming hundreds of millions of years.

The planet orbits the star Beta Pictoris in the southern constellation of Pictor (The Painter's Easel).

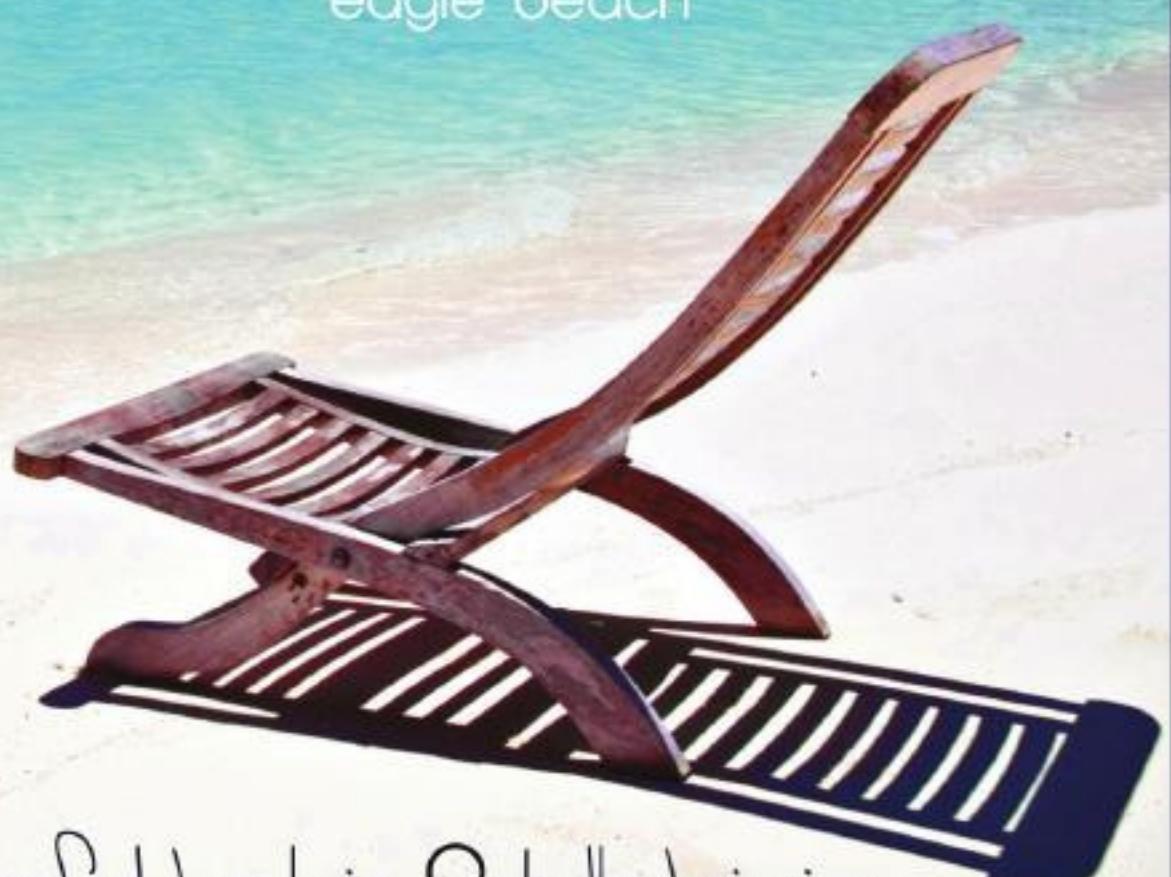
Discovered nearly six years ago, it orbits its star at a distance eight times that of the Earth to the sun.

Beta Pictoris b is about 20 million years old -- very young in astronomical terms, compared to the Earth's 4.5 billion years.

The astronomers used a technique called high-dispersion spectroscopy to measure changes in the wavelengths of radiation emitted by the planet and so determine its spin velocity.



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ECONOMY

ACS begins new cooperation stage in strategic sectors



MERIDA -- The Third Mexico-CARICOM Summit and also the VI Summit of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS) led by Enrique Peña Nieto, along with chiefs of state and the state government concluded April 30. These 2-days summits were held to impulse the development of regional integration and cooperation.

In the final document of the meeting, Merida's Declaration, the Head of States and Governments and top level authorities from 31 countries agreed, also, to implement strategies for a greater connectivity and use the potential of an area declared as sustainable tourism.

At the end of the meeting, in a message given to the press, the host president, Enrique Peña Nieto, summarized the agreements taken during the working day of an or-

ganization that next July will celebrate two decades of existence.

According to the president, they agreed to form a Caribbean territorial information platform as a technological tool for risk management and civil protection, besides implementing a project aimed at making the ports of the region develop short-route maritime transportation programs.

Peña Nieto stressed that the States member of the organization are determined to work in a coordinated manner, as it was proven in the Summit, in function of the development and welfare of its societies.

Accompanied by Guatemalan president Otto Perez and ACS general secretary Alfonso Munera, the head of the Executive said that after 20 years of being created Mexico reaffirms its commitment and conviction with all the Caribbean nations.

In this regional meeting besides addressing common issues the members of the organization condemned the economic, financial and commercial blockade of more than half a century, imposed by US to Cuba.

They also expressed their solidarity with the people and Venezuelan government in front of the violent acts occurred in the South American country and stressed their support for a broad and participatory dialogue promoted by the constitutional government of Nicolas Maduro with the political actors and sectors of the society.



ATHENS -- A girl observes as her mother receives free merchandise distributed by Greek fruit and vegetable producers of open-air markets and vendors in Athens. Unions of farmers and open-air market vendors have launched an indefinite strike to oppose the sweeping liberalisation drive of their sector demanded by international bailout rescue creditors. Greece is returning to growth after six years in a recession which has shrunk the economy by a quarter, but it is still saddled with a debt mountain equal to 175 percent of GDP, according to Eurostat. (AFP PHOTO)

IMF: Regional economic outlook in L. America, Caribbean 'weak' or 'subdued' for many countries

NEW YORK -- Latin America and the Caribbean's economic activity is forecast to "stay in low gear" during 2014, the IMF reported yesterday.

For the region at large, the outlook remains clouded by downside risks, including renewed bouts of financial market volatility and a sharper-than-expected decline in commodity prices," the report said. "Weak fiscal positions represent an

important domestic vulnerability in many economies, especially in Central America and the Caribbean."

Latin America and the Caribbean's economic activity did not grow in 2013 compared to 2012 because of weaker domestic demand, lower prices in commodity, tightening financial conditions, and in some cases, supply constraints.

Report: China to overtake U.S. economy this year

PARIS: China is advancing rapidly to overtake the United States as the biggest economy in the world, new data shows,

Wednesday's Crossword Answer



with the leader of the world economy since the 19th century possibly losing its top spot to the Asian giant from this year.

"The United States remained the world's largest economy (in 2011), but it was closely followed by China" once data was adjusted for comparison on a standard basis, the World Bank said on Wednesday.

"India was now the world's third largest economy, moving ahead of Japan."

In parallel, the OECD grouping 34 advanced economies and analysing the same data, said that "the three largest economies in the world were the United States with 17.1 percent (of global output), China 14.9 percent and India 6.4 percent."

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In 2011 "OECD countries accounted for 50.0 percent of the world's gross domestic product" on a comparable basis, down from about 60 percent in 2005.

"Large emerging economies, China, Brazil, India, Indonesia, Russian Federation and South Africa, accounted for about 30 percent of global GDP in 2011, up from about 20 percent in 2005," the OECD said.

The World Bank published a vast study on the rankings of national wealth creation on the basis of 2011 figures.



Washington : This May 1, 2014 photo taken in Washington, DC shows a Bitcoin medal. Bitcoin uses peer-to-peer technology to operate with no central authority or banks; managing transactions and the issuing of bitcoins is carried out collectively by the network. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) announced on April 29, 2014 it would give \$100 in Bitcoin to its 4,500 students starting in the Fall of 2014. The project started by two MIT students aims for a better understanding of emerging technologies. (AFP PHOTO)

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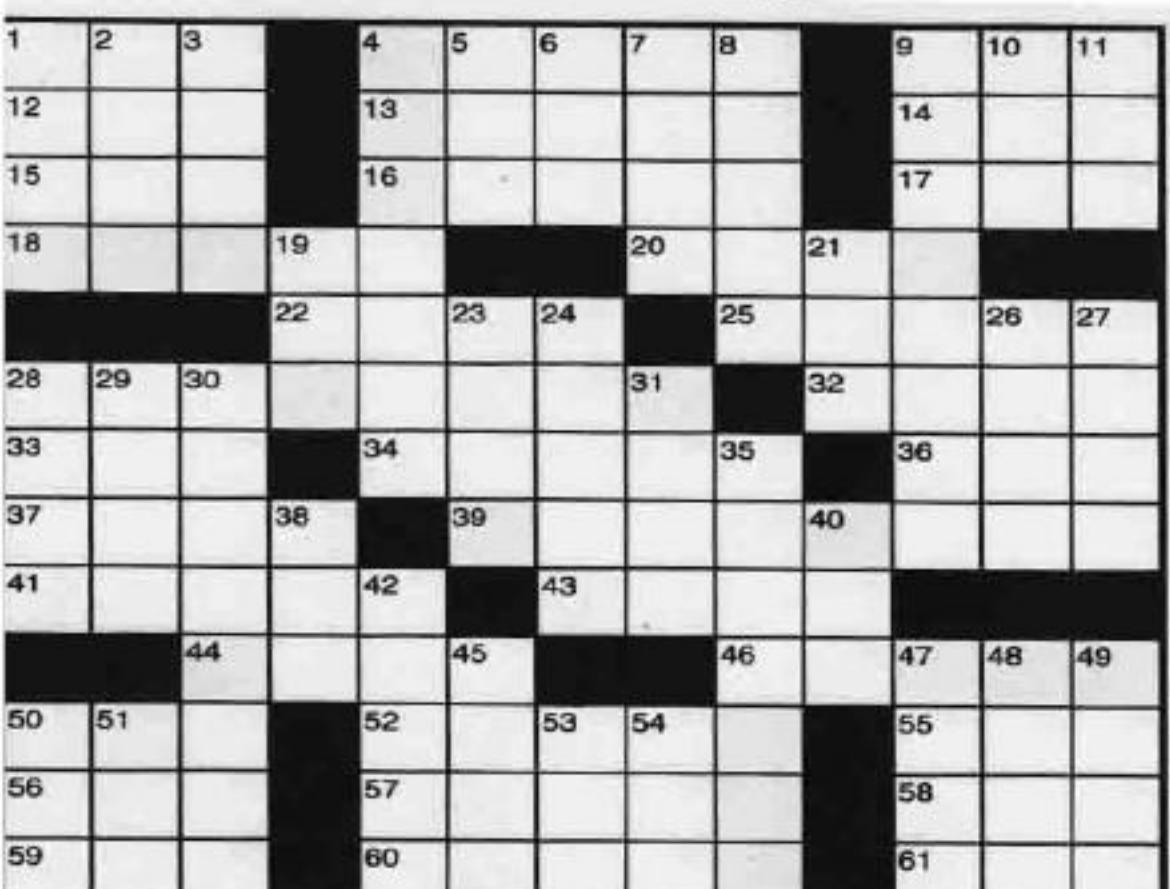
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ACROSS

- 1. UN headquarters site
- 4. Stoles and boas
- 9. Lumberman's tool
- 2. Shoe width
- 3. Get rowdy (2 wds.)
- 4. Light furniture wood
- 5. Bunch of dollars
- 6. Stallone title role
- 7. Laughing —
- 8. That group's
- 20. Male deer
- 22. Actress Hayworth
- 25. More deceitful
- 28. Rodeo
- 32. Prefix for gram or port
- 33. Droid download, perhaps
- 34. Royal
- 36. 9-digit item (abbr.)
- 37. Be in front
- 39. Clever retort
- 41. — in the bucket (2 wds.)
- 43. "I — Song Go Out of My Heart" (2 wds.)
- 44. Overwhelm
- 46. Sunday musical selections
- 50. " — only as

exhibition

32. Prefix for gram or port

- 52. Active power
- 55. — the line
- 56. Fa's follower
- 57. Natural aptitude
- 58. Wind dir.
- 59. Pig's pad
- 60. Heroic narratives
- 61. "Help!"

directed"

33. Droid download, perhaps

- 1. Republican Gingrich
- 2. Okey-doke
- 3. Grant by treaty
- 4. Fighter
- 5. TV brand
- 6. Cash machine (abbr.)
- 7. English bars
- 8. Dalmatian's

EASY CROSSWORD 63

features

- 9. Most sudden
- 10. Where to go for a tow (abbr.)
- 11. Yr.'s 52
- 19. April 15th agcy.
- 21. Flight height (abbr.)
- 23. Grandstand section
- 24. — food cake
- 26. Besides that
- 27. Actress Russo
- 28. "Ooh-—" (hyph.)
- 29. Mimicked
- 30. Thinly
- 31. Gaze
- 35. Readies to shave
- 38. Speckle
- 40. Sugar — Leonard
- 42. Blows
- 45. 1916 Lopez hit
- 47. Peaks (abbr.)
- 48. "You mustn't!" (2 wds.)
- 49. Mends
- 50. American ship abbr.
- 51. Tippler
- 53. Scrap
- 54. U.S. spy org.

SOLUTION

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Complete the grid so that every row and every column contains the numbers 1 through 9. A number is never repeated in a row or column. In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9.



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"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers—the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy, made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.



However, beginning at 8am, patrons can now order 2 eggs any style (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) and toast for a price of only \$4.99 or All You Can Eat Pancakes

for \$6.99! A new plate called the "Home Run" comes with 2 eggs, bacon or sausage, 2 pancakes, toast & home fries – for only \$9.99! Best of all – unlimited coffee or tea – that is, refillable and never ending is only \$7.99! Breakfast is served from 8am until noon. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie; so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (almost 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with Aaron's secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jala-peño peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no

extra cost.

5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

Try them the English way—with vinegar, and you'll wonder how you ever ate fries without it. This same 5-star chef also swears by Gouda as the best topping for the ideal gourmet cheeseburger.

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Budget's head office is in Camacuri, not far from the airport, but they maintain an outlet right at the airport and another conveniently located

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SPORTS

Football: Copa America coming to United States in 2016



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - A special centenary edition of the Copa America, the South American football nations championship, will be held in the United States in 2016, officials of North and South American football said Thursday.

The Copa America Centenario will run from June 3-26 in 2016 and will feature 10

nations from South America and six from North and Central America and the Caribbean, officials of CONMEBOL and CONCACAF said in Miami.

A Copa America in North America had been rumored for months to be in the works, but for now officials say it's a one-off in honor of the 100th anniversary of the tournament first held in 1916.

Normally held every four years, the tournament usually features 10 South American teams and two guest teams from other regions. Chile hosts the next edition in 2015.

Uruguay's 15 tournament titles are the record, set with their victory in 2011.

Argentina have won it 14 times, but haven't triumphed since 1993 while Brazil's eight titles include four of the last six.

The six teams from CONCACAF to compete in the tournament will be the United States, Mexico, the champion of the 2014 Caribbean Cup, the champion of the 2014 Copa Centroamericana (also to be held in the United States) and two teams determined by a playoff among the top four non-qualified teams at the 2015 Gold Cup.



AVB Menor U-15 Playoffs 2014 Schedule

DAY	DATE	TIME	GAME		STADIUM	SCORE
Saturday	3-May-14	4:00 PM	Brazil Jrs.	vs	SC United	CDGPT
Saturday	3-May-14	5:30 PM	RCA	vs	La Fama	CDGPT
Tuesday	6-May-14	7:00 PM	La Fama	vs	Brazil Jrs.	CDGPT
Wednesday	7-May-14	8:30 PM	Britannia	vs	Estrella	CDGPT
Sunday	11-May-14	4:00 PM	SC United	vs	La Fama	CDGPT
Sunday	11-May-14	5:30 PM	Brazil Jrs	vs	RCA	CDGPT
Thursday	15-May-14	7:00 PM	SC United	vs	Brazil Jrs.	CDGPT
Friday	16-May-14	7:00 PM	La Fama	vs	RCA	CDGPT
Tuesday	20-May-14	7:00 PM	Brazil Jrs.	vs	La Fama	CDGPT
Wednesday	21-May-14	7:00 PM	SC United	vs	RCA	CDGPT
Saturday	24-May-14	5:30 PM	RCA	vs	Brazil Jrs	CDGPT
Sunday	25-May-14	5:30 PM	La Fama	vs	SC United	CDGPT



BOSTON (AFP) - Xander Bogaerts #2 of the Boston Red Sox turns a double play as Evan Longoria #3 of the Tampa Bay Rays slides late in to second base in the sixth inning in game one of a doubleheader at Fenway Park May 1, 2014 in Boston, Massachusetts.



Chelsea's Faria banned for six matches

LONDON (AFP) - Chelsea assistant manager Rui Faria was hit with a six-match stadium ban and fined £30,000 (\$50,640, 36,564 euros) on Thursday following his furious rant at the officials during Sunderland's shock win at Stamford Bridge.

The Football Association found Faria guilty of two charges of improper conduct after Jose Mourinho's long-time assistant had to be restrained during a fiery touchline exchange with referee Mike Dean and fourth official Phil Dowd in the closing stages of Chelsea's surprise 2-1 home defeat against Sunderland last month. The incident was sparked by Dean's decision to award a controversial penalty to Sunderland when Blues defender Cesar Azpilicueta slid in to challenge Jozy Altidore, causing the Black Cats striker to tumble even though there was little intentional contact. Fabio Borini converted the spot-kick to seal a Sunderland victory which dealt a major blow to Chelsea's hopes of winning the Premier League and ended Mourinho's 77-game unbeaten run in league matches at Stamford Bridge.

That prompted a shocking response from Faria, who screamed and gesticulated at Dowd and Dean before he was eventually dragged away by Mourinho and another member of his coaching staff.

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NBA: Rockets stay alive with win over Trail Blazers

SAN ANTONIO (AFP) - Dwight Howard scored 22 points and pulled down 18 rebounds on Wednesday as the Houston Rockets stayed alive in the NBA playoffs with a 108-98 victory over Portland.

Houston came into the contest trailing 3-1 in the tight series, in which three of the first four games went to overtime.

Wednesday's game was also close, but Houston closed it out with an 8-0 scoring run to narrow the gap in the series to 3-2.

The Blazers will try again to close it out when they host game six today.

Rockets star James Harden endured another tough shooting night, but came through with some key baskets down the stretch.

Harden missed nine of his first 12 shots, but scored eight of his 17 points in the final four minutes.

Jeremy Lin chipped in 21 points and Chandler Parsons added 20 for the Rockets, who out-scored Portland in the paint by a 60-40 margin.

Wesley Matthews scored a game-high 27 points, and Damian Lillard added 26 with eight rebounds and seven assists for the Trail Blazers, whose reserves contributed only five points.

Aldridge, who came in averaging over 35 points per game in the series, finished with just eight on 3-of-12 shooting.

The winners of the se-

ries will face either the San Antonio Spurs or Dallas Mavericks in the second round.

The Spurs pushed the Mavericks to the brink of elimination with a 109-103 victory in San Antonio on Wednesday.

The victory gave the Spurs a 3-2 lead in a series in which they had trailed 1-2.

The Spurs will try to seal the victory in game six on Friday in Dallas.

Point guard Tony Parker led the Spurs with 23 points, despite playing on a sprained left ankle that had his participation in doubt until Wednesday.

Tiago Splitter and Tim Duncan contributed double-doubles for San Antonio, Splitter recording 17 points and 12 rebounds and Duncan posting 16 points with 12 rebounds.

The Spurs never trailed in the contest, although the Mavericks kept them in their sights.

Vince Carter, whose buzzer-beater won game three for the Mavs, scored a game-high 28 points, connecting on seven of nine three-point attempts.

Dirk Nowitzki scored 26 points for Dallas, 14 of them in the fourth quarter.

The Mavericks' German star had hit seven of eight shots in the fourth and had an open look to cut the Spurs' lead to one basket only to miss. The Spurs promptly got a three-pointer from Parker at the other end.

Thousands mark Senna's death at Imola

IMOLA, (AFP) - Thousands of Formula One fans gathered for a commemoration on Thursday at the Imola circuit -- 20 years to the day after Brazilian champion Ayrton Senna was killed here in the sport's darkest day. Dozens of enthusiasts drove their own cars around the Enzo and Dino Ferrari circuit to mark the tragic anniversary of the 1994 San Marino Grand Prix. Ferrari drivers Fernando Alonso and Kimi Raikkonen were due to attend a ceremony later on Thursday for the man seen as one of the greatest drivers of all time. A Catholic priest led a memorial service on Wednesday at the Tamburello corner where the triple world champion's Williams careered off into a concrete barrier on lap seven at 190mph (307km/h). He was airlifted to Bologna hospital but was pronounced dead at 18:40 local time on that ill-fated Sunday.



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SPORTS

Atletico to meet Real Madrid in all-Madrid Champions League final

LONDON - Spain dreamed Wednesday of an unprecedented Madrid derby final to the Champions League, as the nation's sporting press gloated over Real Madrid's demolition of the mighty Bayern Munich.

Atletico Madrid set up a Champions League final against city rivals Real Madrid after coming from behind to win 3-1 at Chelsea in their semi-final second leg on Wednesday.

Atletico will now face rivals Real Madrid in the final in Lisbon on Saturday, May 24 in the first European final to be contested by two clubs from the same city.

Chelsea manager Jose Mourinho, meanwhile, was denied a reunion with his former employers Real, with whom he had also experienced semi-final disappointment in each of the previous three seasons.

Meanwhile Pep Guardiola has been left pick-



ing up the pieces amidst the fall-out from Bayern Munich's historic 4-0 hammering at home to Real Madrid which dethroned the Champions League holders.

Bayern suffered their heaviest home defeat in European competition on Tuesday, losing the semi-final 5-0 on aggregate, with Guardiola admitting he made mistakes with both his tactics and selection in Munich.

Bayern had never previously lost in Europe by more than two goals in Munich and the defeat made a mockery of their dream to become the first team to successfully defend the Champions League title.

Even with their European crown now gone, Guardiola has still won

three titles this season and the German Cup can yet be added to their league, Club World Cup and UEFA Super Cup triumphs.

Real are now one game away from their longed-for, yet elusive "La Decima" -- their 10th European title.

It would be Atletico's first European championship final in 40 years, the first chance to regain the title since May 1974 when they lost to Bayern Munich.

Over the years some of European football's finest coaches have been reduced to gibbering wrecks by the antics of Jose Mourinho.

Diego Simeone will not be joining them.

"I want to thank the mothers of these players we have at Atletico Madrid because they gave birth to them with balls this big," said an emotional Simeone, holding out his hands as if he were grasping an imaginary soccer ball. "



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